

January 19, 2010

The Honorable E. Benjamin Nelson
United States Senate
720 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-2706

Dear Senator Nelson:

I have just recently been made aware that Faith Regional Health Services may be eligible for grant funds in the amount of \$2 Million dollars. I am asking for your full support in this grant application . These monies would be used for their Electronic Medical Records system they are currently in the process of developing. Their commitment is to thoroughly research available systems to find the best fit in terms of integration with current systems. With this conversion of manual systems to electronic systems it will tend to reduce errors in treatment and or delivery of medications.

Due to the fact that Faith Regional Health Services is the largest of twelve rural regional health service providers. The Electric Medical Records portability to the other eleven health care providers in Northeast Nebraska will benefit all of Northeast Nebraska in the delivery in the required medical services.

On a personal note I can relate to the services of Faith Regional Health Services for myself and for my wife. I myself was a victim of total cardiac arrest and was transported to Faith Regional where I received very professional and courteous services resulting in full recovery for which I will be eternally grateful. My wife has also been admitted to Faith Regional Health Services for an irregular heart beat which required activity and medication adjustments which have stabilized her condition. Again I can not say enough about the professionalism and courtesy she received.

I am therefore requesting your favorable consideration of Faith Regional Health Services in their grant application seeking federal funding of \$2 million dollars to assist in the purchase and installation of equipment that will regionally connect twelve rural Northeast Nebraska health care facilities.

Sincerely,



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